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ACTION TAKEN REPORT ON 5TH MEETING OF THE STATE BOARD FOR WILDLIFE HELD ON 28.03.2011 AT RAJNIWAS

Agenda No.	Agenda	Minutes of the previous meeting	Action taken
	Action taken on Agenda item of 4th meeting		
3.	Change in Status of Edible-nest Swiftlet from Schedule – I <i>Action-E&F</i>	The Chief Wildlife Warden apprised the Board on actions taken by the department for ex-situ and in-situ conservation of Edible Nest Swiftlets. The Board desired that proposal should be sent to MoEF for extension of delisting period well before the expiry of current three years granted so that the experiment to ranch Edible Nest Swiftlets with involvement of communities for supporting the local economy continues uninterrupted till the technology is perfected for adoption. The Chairman also directed the department to submit report on progress made so far for promotion of ex-situ conservation of Edible Nest Swiftlets.	For promotion of Ex-situ conservation of Edible nest Swiftlet, four Swiftlet houses have been constructed at Ram Nagar, Khara Nallah (near Mayabunder), Tugapur and Baratang. Efforts are on to colonize the Edible nest Swiftlet in the swiftlet houses. At Khara Nallah near Mayabunder, Edible nest Swiftlets were observed visiting the house. The notification under Section 61 of Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 is to be issued by the Central Govt. The matter will be persued again with the Central Govt.
5.	Man-animal conflict (Feral Elephant) in North Andaman <i>Action-E&F</i>	The Chief Wildlife Warden informed the Board that the trespass of feral elephants into settlements shall be tackled by intensifying watch and ward during the elephant depredation season. The Chairman expressed concern over the lack of any check at present on their population. He desired that whatever technical advice or assistance is required from the Ministry, the same be obtained and if required, a D.O letter may be sent to the Minister (E&F) through him. The Board also directed Forest Dept. to take up the matter with Ministry for early finalization of the study by the experts committee under Dr. Ajay Desai constituted by MoEF.	Experts committee constituted by MoEF, Govt. of India regarding translocation of feral elephants is still to make a site inspection of these islands. The matter is being pursued with the Ministry.